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SUBJ: KREISKY'S VIEWS ON ECONOMIC AID TO ROMANIA

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1. IN THE COURSE OF AN APRIL 21 MEETING WITH CANCELLOR KREISKY, THE CHARGE ASKED HIM FOR HIS VIEWS ON AID TO ROMANIA. KREISKY SAID HIS INITIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BOBLETTER WERE PROMPTED BY EARLY REPORTS THAT ROMANIA HAD SUFFERED A MAJOR DISASTER IN THE EARTHQUAKE AND THAT A HUGE INTERNATIONAL AID EFFORT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO OVERCOME THE DAMAGE AND PROVIDE FOR RECOVERY. KREISKY INDICATED THAT A FACTOR BEHIND THE AUSTRIAN PROPOSAL (REFTEL) WAS THE DESIRE TO SPARE THE ROMANIANS POSSIBLE EMBARRASSMENT OR PRESSURES WHICH MIGHT ARISE OVER COMPARISONS BETWEEN ASSISTANCE FROM INDIVIDUAL DONOR COUNTRIES (WEST VERSUS EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES), BY HAVING ASSISTANCE PLACED UNDER JOINT AUSPICES (E.G. OECD).

2. CURRENT ESTIMATES SUGGEST, ACCORDING TO KREISKY, THAT THE DAMAGE WAS NOT AS GREAT AS ORIGINALLY FEARED, AND THE URGENCY FOR LARGE-SCALE AID APPEARS TO HAVE

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DIMINISHED. NEVERTHELESS, THE ROMANIANS MAY COME WITH SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE, AND SHOULD THEY DO SO, THE WESTERN RESPONSE, IN KREISKY'S VIEW, SHOULD TAKE THE FORM OF A JOINT UNDERTAKING UNDER OECD AEGIS.

3. DEPARTMENT PLEASE REPEAT TO OECD CAPITALS AS DESIRED. MEEHAN

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